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1. ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS IN REFTEL A: MINISTRY OF POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS (MPT) MAY CONTRACT WITH US FIRMS FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN CONCEPTUAL AND PRELIMINARY DESIGN WORK ON THE EXPERIMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS AND BROADCAST SATELLITES. AS MPT HAS TAKEN OVER CONCEPTUAL AND PRELIMINARY DESIGN PHASES THE NEED FOR RECOGNITION OF NTT AND NHK AS GOJ AGENCIES NO LONGER EXISTS.

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2. PARAGRAPH 2 OF REFTEL B ESTABLISHED PROCEDURE FOR

TRANSFER OF ASSOCIATED UNCLASSIFIED TECHNOLOGY, WHICH IS REAFFIRMED. EMBASSY SHOULD POINT OUT WITH CLARITY TO GOJ OFFICIALS THAT THE APPROVAL CONTAINED IN PARAGRAPH 1 ABOVE IS FOR CONCEPTUAL AND PRELIMINARY DESIGN PHASES ONLY AND DOES NOT INSURE AUTOMATIC APPROVAL FOR SUCCEEDING DEVELOPMENT PHASES. REVIEW OF SPECIFIC EXPORT LICENSE APPLICATIONS MUST BE ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS.

3. IF US CONTRACTOR TECHNICAL SUPPORT OR TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER IS REFLECTED IN THE DETAILED HARDWARE DESIGN THE USG RESERVES THE RIGHT TO PROVIDE SUCH SUPPORT IN THE FORM OF HARDWARE (END ITEMS) RATHER THAN LICENSING OF TECHNICAL

KNOW-HOW OR TECHNOLOGY FOR JAPANESE MANUFACTURE.

4. ALTHOUGH THE GOJ FURNISHED IN TALKING PAPER OF MAY 11, 1973, PRESENTED TO DEPARTMENT BY MATSUMATO ON MAY 16, DEFINITION OF COMMUNICATIONS AND BROADCAST SATELLITES, THE USG STILL SEEKS A DEFINITION OF SUCCESSIVE PHASES OF GOJ LONG-RANGE SATELLITE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AS THE FOUNDATION FOR THE EXPEDITIOUS APPROVAL OF EXPORTS UNDER THE TERMS OF THE 1969 AGREEMENT. ROGERS

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